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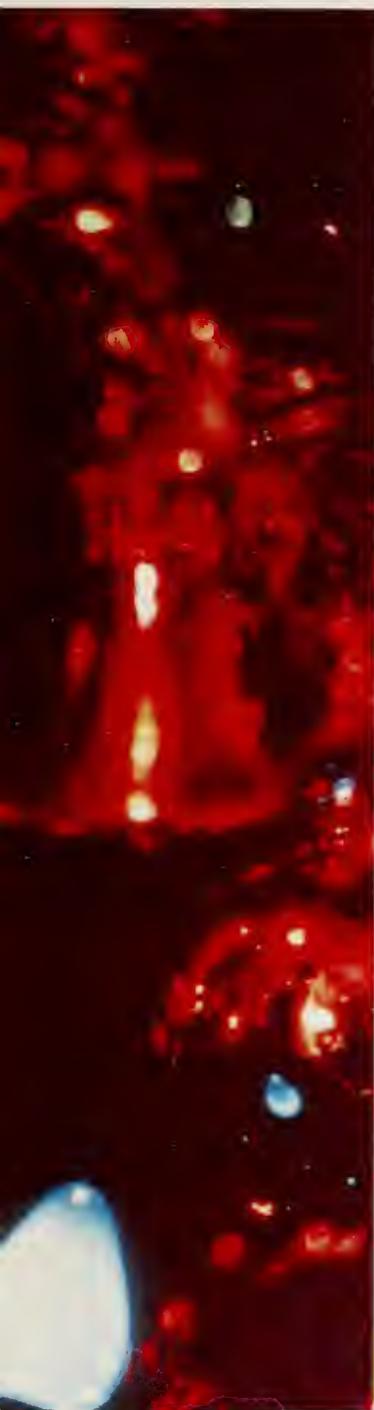
All Things Have Their

We laugh, we cry, we study,

We worry and anticipate;

We embark on one of life's greatest adventures--

college.



Season

And when the year is over,
When the books are closed,
When the dorms are almost spotless,
We sit back and reflect.
Yes, there is a proper time for everything, and this is
A TIME FOR REFLECTION.

A Time To Every Purpose Under Heaven

We are all busy people with appointments to keep and deadlines to be met. We live for the present with our eyes to the future, seeking to find God's will for our lives and our place in society.

And yet, how nice it is to sit back once in a while with our memories and warm ourselves with thoughts of friends and the fun we had! To just relax and let the memories wash over our minds . . . leaving us a little refreshed and ready to face the hustle and confusion of today's world.

Yes, there is a time to hurry, a time to meet the heavy responsibilities of the present. But there is also a time to bring out yesterday.



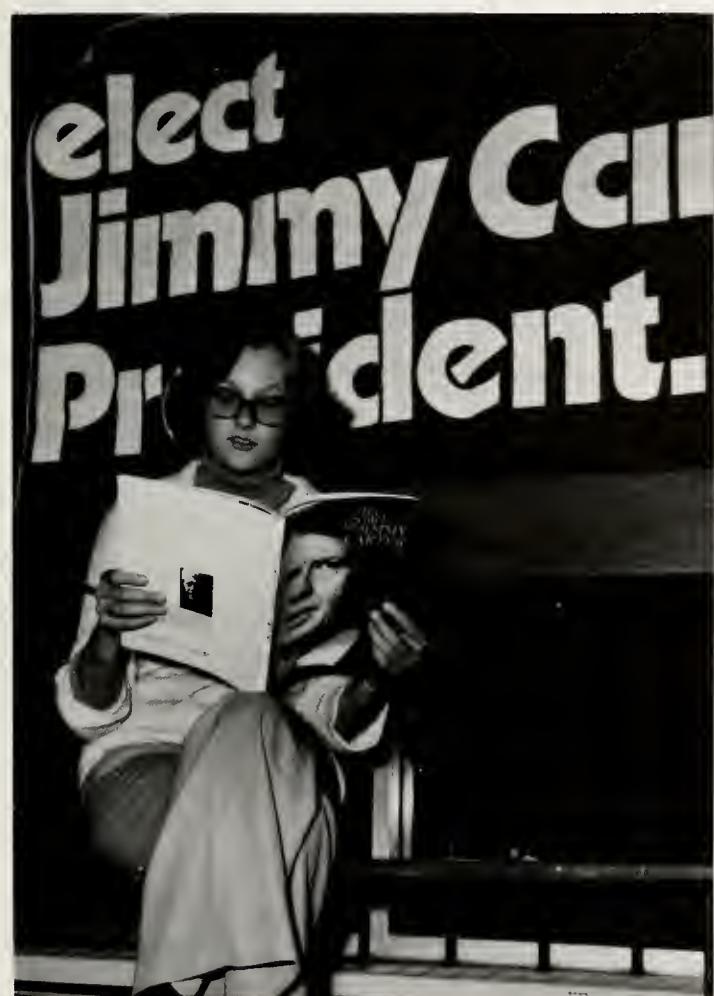
LEFT: Julie Gray and Barb Carter entertained audiences in the Fall play, "She Was Only a Farmer's Daughter."

RIGHT: Bob Wilkinson, Steve Steel, Clarence Trowbridge, and Mike Peters "celebrate" Keith Fisher's birthday.

BELLOW LEFT: John Boyer is up in the air over life at Oakwood.

BELLOW CENTER: Karen Dickson spent much time working on the Carter campaign in this area.

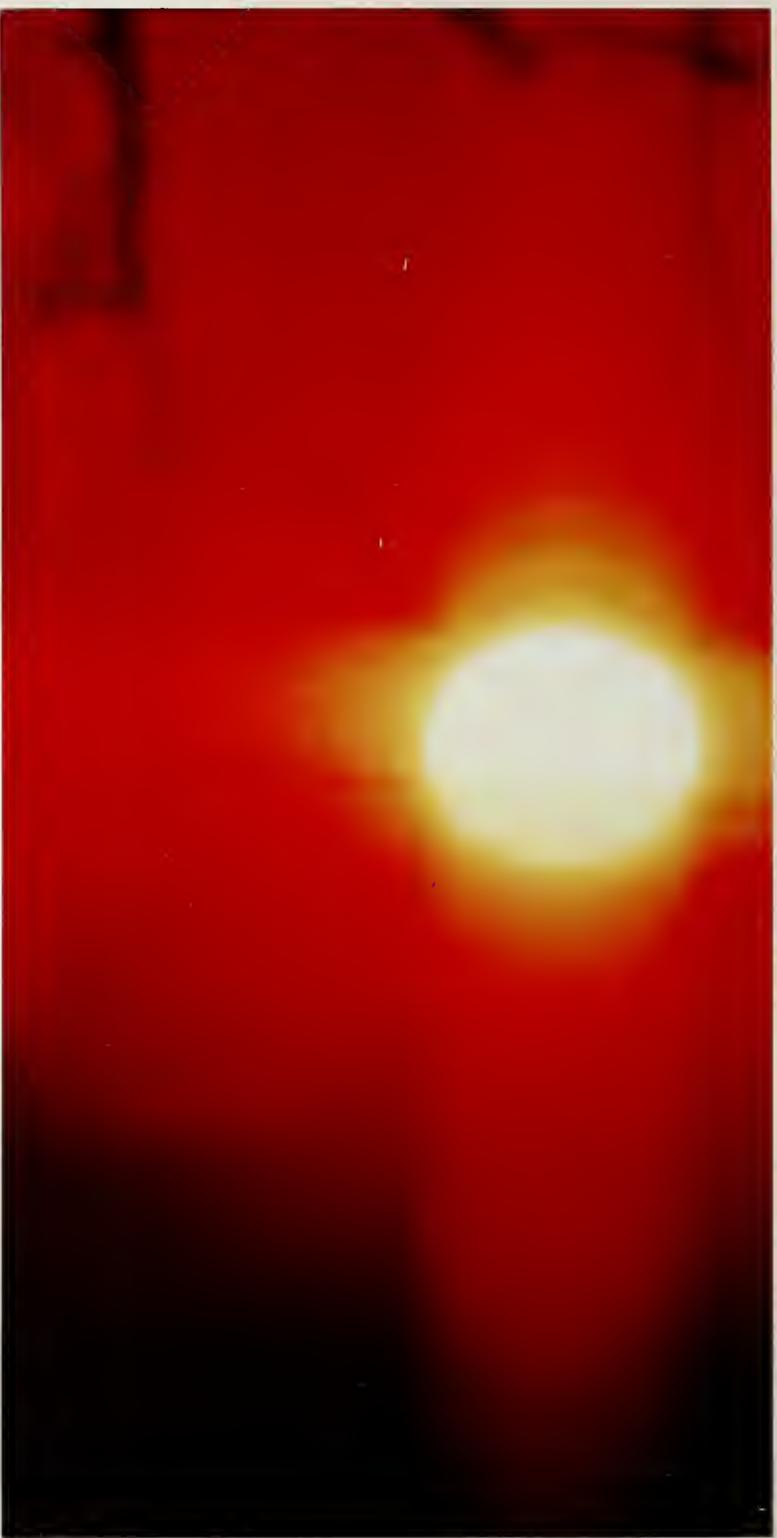
BELLOW RIGHT: Clarence Trowbridge gazes on the Chicago skyline from the top of the John Hancock building.



A Time to be Born, and a Time to Die

Every age in life has its own particular purpose and beauty. A bud becomes a leaf; the leaf glows with rich colors, dies, and falls to the ground to provide a blanket against the winter snow. A flower blooms in a blaze of color and soon withers, but it, too, nourishes the earth to guarantee more flowers in the spring. Even the sun is born every day, lives and gives life, and dies in the west--but with a promise of a new day to come.

Man, too, has his ages. The baby holds our hope for the future. The youth has his dreams and goals, and reaches toward opportunity. The older person gives us the wisdom of age--his attempts, failures, and triumphs. He teaches us the lessons he has learned. As the sunrise brings a new day, each age of man brings its own adventure.





A Time to Weep, and a Time to Laugh

Joy. Sorrow. Concern. Frustration. Exhilaration. Our faces reflect these emotions, for we all feel them sometimes. Emotions are good--they give life a little variety, and help us give off steam. As we grow into life, we learn that showing our emotions is not a sign of weakness, but of maturity.



ABOVE: Wilson Peter gives the photographer a big smile.

ABOVE LEFT: Jeff Springer learns that living on campus can be fun.

LEFT: Jody Stephanoff obviously enjoys cheering for the Pilots!

RIGHT: Coach Drew shows concern during a Bethel basketball game.





ABOVE LEFT: Disturbed by a bad call, Barb Beyler braves the cold to support Bethel's soccer team.

TOP: Darlene Emery is disgusted at a setback in the soccer game.

ABOVE: Tom Krake takes a break from studies to daydream a little.

LEFT: Various emotions are reflected on the faces of fans at Homecoming.



ABOVE: Deb Miller quietly waits out a tense moment during a basketball game.

TOP LEFT: Jared Yoder finds studying easier in the silence of his room.

CENTER LEFT: Bonita Smith speaks up in her own way, through her music.

BELOW LEFT: Larry Culp impresses friends with his discussion on the evolution of the egg.

ABOVE RIGHT: Pilot fans show their spirit as they respond to "Two Bits."

RIGHT: Clarence Trowbridge uses a quiet moment to catch up on his reading.





A Time to Keep Silence, and a Time to Speak



We are often encouraged to speak our minds. Communication is an important facet of social life. We make friends and develop relationships through sharing not only activities, but conversation as well. As Christians we are especially interested in sharing our beliefs, hopes, and experiences.

But there is another side to life. It is the quiet, thoughtful side that we use to relax, unwind, or just think things through. It is the balance between silence and speaking that helps us grow.

EXPANDING: MIND, BODY, SPIRIT

We come to college to extend our knowledge, but a college education doesn't stop with our minds. At Bethel, we found our physical and spiritual parts were built upon, too.

While our teachers and lessons developed our minds, we jogged, played tennis, or took phys ed to bring our bodies to their best possible conditions. And we didn't forget our spiritual needs. We participated in our own churches, had devotions, and often took church services to those who couldn't attend church.

All this led to the development and enlargement of three important aspects of our lives--mind, body, and spirit.



ABOVE: During one of his faithful daily jogs, Steve Allen smiles his enthusiasm for running.

LEFT: Dale Shidler's upward orrow reflects peaceful spiritual thoughts.

ABOVE RIGHT: Marlene Marks, Michelle Jewell, Sally Barbato and Linda Boylan share precious moments with their friends at NICH.

RIGHT CENTER: Julie Gray and Jim Gerber diligently expand their knowledge during a quiet moment in Shupe lounge.

LOWER RIGHT: With an eye on the defense, Nick Garcia strides his way to the goal.

FAR RIGHT: Tom Krake takes time off to treat his ears to good music.







ABOVE: Bev Pettifor and Larry Culp entertain newcomers during Freshman orientation.



ABOVE RIGHT: Janell Yoder and Jon Sobo don't mind sharing a crowded telephone booth.

RIGHT: The cold air isn't hard to bear for Ron White, Kathy Miller, Steve Church, and Jody Richards.





LEFT: The company of a good friend helps Mary Clark and Karla Armstrong through busy days.

RIGHT: Corinne Rich and Reese Thomas enjoy a walk across campus.

BELOW: Randy and Deb Allen share a sunny day, a smile, . . . and love.



YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE

A good talk over a milkshake at Mac's. Shared thoughts scribbled on the margin of a page of class notes. And, years from now, memories of a special friend that made even Western Civ bearable.

Everyone--classmates, roommates, the guy who sat behind you in Fine Arts--existed under the heading "friend." But only a few merited the term "special." That special friend was the person who, for some strange reason, liked you. Liked you even though you needed to lose a few pounds. Liked you despite the fact that your serves never made it over the net. Loved you when everyone else was too busy to notice your problems.

And you loved back.

FREE TIME

What we sometimes do in the name of free time at Bethel College! Gulping 34 pancakes at Golden Bear. Playing rook all hours of the night. Getting up at 7:00 to beat the line at the new billiard table. It all sounds like a crazy waste and yet it's not.

Sitting around shooting the breeze . . . dreaming . . . playing air hockey . . . playing basketball and volleyball . . . It sounds like nothing at all. But yet as a part of free time it is a part of the pulse of Bethel College life. It's what helps to make us interesting people. Perhaps we all need to be a bit foolish at times.



ABOVE RIGHT: Sally Grosser and Jean Ditmer enjoy that barefoot feeling on a warm day.

ABOVE LEFT: During a break between classes, Darlene Parsons chats with some friends.

LEFT: Mike Moore spends a free hour playing ping-pong in Oakwood Hall.

RIGHT: Howard Brenneman and friends play Rook, a game popular with many students.



BELOW: Jon Bontrager finds volleyball a good way to have fun and keep in shape too.

RIGHT: Coach Patterson challenges Sam Armington to a game of shuffleboard, one of the new games installed in Shupe Lounge.

BELLOW RIGHT: Jon Sabo, like many other Bethelites, uses his spare time to grab a bite to eat.





POCKET MONEY

Everyone knows that a year at college is expensive, and the expenses leave little or no spending money for the average student. So many students have found that the only way to survive is to work part-time.

Of course, a job has its disadvantages. Every working student has had to miss certain functions and activities because of their work schedule. Some have even been unable to go home for vacations because of their jobs. But when they do have time off, they're the ones who can afford to see that super movie, or to buy that nice outfit, or to take that special someone to dinner. And that's a good feeling.



TOP FAR LEFT: Lynn Neddo keeps her cool at the switchboard.

LOWER FAR LEFT: Teaching at Brethren Christian School, Delores Sherrard gains valuable experience.

CENTER: Linda Boylan is the "sale" attraction at Thom McAn's Shoe Store.

LEFT: Larry Culp concentrates as he strings a tennis racquet for Speni's Pro Shop.



ABOVE: Steve Zook cleans up the cafeteria after lunch time.

RIGHT: Cathy Holcomb and Karen Dickson enjoy each others' company as they work at Newman's Pharmacy.





ABOVE: Doug Taylor, Ed Sommers, Jon Brenneman and Dennis Hylander enjoy the pile of snow in front of Shupe Hall.

RIGHT: Students enjoy the beauty of the natural snow sculpture beside Goodman.

BETWEEN: A photographer caught the swirling flakes of a snowfall one morning on the way to class.



LET IT SNOW!

What a winter we had! Those bitter-cold months broke records, wrought havoc on our cars, and, in general, disrupted our lives. The severity of the weather was emphasized by the two days in January when classes were dismissed.

But during this hard time we "muddled through", and managed to enjoy ourselves too. Skiing class was popular—so were ice skating and sledding. And there were always Bethelites willing to join an impromptu snowball fight.

Some kids liked the snow so much they wished it would stay for a long, long, time. And it did.





LEFT: This beautiful sight greeted students on many winter mornings.

BELLOW: Ed Sommers doesn't let a little snow keep him from trying to get a better tan!



ABOVE: Students dreaded this sight after a heavy snow.

LEFT: Jon Boyer and Steve Zook pay the price for losing a ping-pong game.

REFLECTIONS OF . . .

Activities





TOP: Students gather on the lawn for the first of several "picnics".

LEFT: Jody Richards and Bob Wilkinson engage in a strange form of communication during Orientation.

ABOVE: Professor and Mrs. Robinson enjoy a conversation with Angel Perez at the Student-Faculty Reception.

THE BUSIEST WEEK OF THE YEAR



Fall is a time for making new friends and renewing old acquaintances. Every year, moving in and freshmen orientation provide unforgettable experiences. Students may come with great expectations for a good year, or they may come reluctant to leave the relaxing summer months behind. Either way, they soon find themselves settling into the college atmosphere.

Along with the regular routine of buying books and registering for classes, there is time for fun. Picnics, parties, and programs are planned to help the students get acquainted with each other, and there is also the Student-Faculty Reception. All in all, it is a very busy week.

FAR LEFT: Rich Studebaker moves in his most prized possessions: his baseball and glove.

LEFT: Dave Moore carries his "lucky charms" into Oakwood.

BELOW: Freshmen often get that lonely, bogged-down feeling during the first week of school.





POEMS, PRAYERS, AND PROMISES

As usual, this year's Homecoming was one of the biggest events of the fall semester, and the Homecoming committee worked long, hard hours to make sure that it was a success. "Poems, Prayers, and Promises" was the theme for which the format of activities was planned. The three contestants chosen to represent each class presented a talent during the pageant on Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Nordgren were the host and hostess for the evening.

The coronation of the Homecoming queen and her court took place after the second basketball game of the Pilot Invitational on Friday night. Alumni, faculty and students were invited to a reception at the Thunderbird Restaurant to greet the queen and her court.



ABOVE: Paula Tilley answers a question from Mr. and Mrs. Nordgren while other contestants watch nervously.

TOP: Queen Marcia Cramer and her court are greeted by Tom Naak and Chuck Smith.



RIGHT: 1975-76 Queen Vickie Rains Smith crowns her successor Marcia Cramer between games of the Pilot Invitational.

FAR RIGHT: Special awards went to Wendy Saltzgaber, Performing Arts; Angie Smyser, Miss Congeniality; and Ruth Hesse, Creative Arts.

BELOW: Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Nordgren act as host and hostess for this year's pageant.



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



Along with the pageant and crowning of the Homecoming queen, there were various ways for alumni, students, and faculty to have fun. Open dorms, the Pilot Invitational, and alumni dinners helped everyone enjoy the busy weekend.

An old car sat in front of Goodman, available for everyone to help demolish at 25 cents a swing. Half-time entertainment was enjoyable as a mini-float parade was held, and K. J. Stanage was named the winner of the Ron Paulsen award.

LEFT: The Spiritual Life Commission float featured Humpty Dumpty urging the Pilots to a victory.



ABOVE: Homecoming committee members: Cathy Holcomb, Dale Shidler, Susy Vold, Barb Spurrier, Shirley Heiple, and Linda Hutchins.





LEFT: Mrs. Aeschleman does her part to raise money for the locker-room by demolishing an old car donated for that purpose.

RIGHT: Bob Wilkinson takes advantage of open dorms to visit Angel Perez' room.

BELOW: The 1976-77 Homecoming Court consists of Georgette Frey, sophomore; Michelle Jewell, junior; Marcia Cramer, Queen; Sandy Falk, senior; and Ruth Hesse, freshman.

LEFT: K. J. Stangie is all smiles after receiving the Ron Paulsen award from Don Taylor.





ABOVE: J. Stuart Magruder answers questions from Bethelites prior to his MLS lecture.

ABOVE RIGHT: Abraham Lincoln comes alive in Jim Mitchell's program, "Evening with Abe Lincoln".

RIGHT: "The Spirit of '76" showed how Americans celebrated the Bicentennial.





RIGHT: Travelogs on Scotland and Uruguay and Paraguay showed us views of children from different ends of the globe.

BELOW: The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra pleased the audience with their fine music.

BOTTOM: The Hawaiians shared with us their testimonies and a sample of Hawaiian music.



MLS APPEALS TO ALL

With a variety of entertaining and educational programs, the Music-Lecture Series once again offered something for everyone.

Music lovers were pleased with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and the Hawaiians. Travelogs on Scotland, Uruguay and Paraguay, and the U.S. gave the audiences a chance to travel the world without leaving their seat.

For history buffs, Jim Mitchell's "Evening with Abe Lincoln" and the musical revue "Heroes and Hard Cases" proved interesting. The MLS season ended with Bethel's own production of "Plain and Fancy."





LEFT: Bethel student Paul Wall praises the Lord with violin music at chapel.

BOTTOM LEFT: Past President Panna-becker converses with spring Spiritual Emphasis speaker, Dr. Dennis Kinlaw.

BELOW: In preparation for Spiritual Emphasis week, students meet for a time of prayer.

BOTTOM: Jack French provides a challenging message during fall Spiritual Emphasis week.



STUDENTS INSPIRED BY CHAPELS



As director of Religious Affairs, professor Wayne Speicher was responsible for this year's chapel services. There were many interesting and different chapel presentations, musical as well as informative speakers. Alumni, students and faculty members were involved. A fund was established by the Alumni Association of \$500, which helped to make special programs available to the student body.

Each semester, one week was set aside for Spiritual Emphasis. In the fall, Jack French, an alumnus, came and spoke about living and walking in the spirit. In the spring, Bethel was privileged to have Dr. Dennis Kinlaw as our speaker.



TOP: Wayne Speicher, director of Religious Affairs, introduces one of the many chapel speakers.

CENTER: Students listen attentively during one of the January chapels.

BOTTOM: Alumni Ron and Nancy Stump and their children provided one of several excellent musical chapels.



MELODRAMOPERA II



A combined effort by the drama and music departments presented a lovely evening of entertainment by producing an operetta followed by a light melodrama.

The operetta, "Gianni Schicchi" by Puccini, started the first half of the program. It was a story of romance as well as lying deceit, as a group of selfish mourners plotted to inherit the wealth of their departed relative, Uncle Buoso.

The second half of the evening was the melodrama, "She Was Only a Farmer's Daughter," by Crosby. Directed by Dr. Reimer, the good acting made it a successful, typically hilarious comedy.



TOP: Lauretta pleads with her father, to let her marry Rinuccio. Left to right are: Shelly Seeley, Larry Culp, Wendy Saltzgaber, Mr. Doverspike, Darlene Parsons, Bill Pinter, John Brenneman, Lyndon Tschetter, Bev Pettifor, and Rosie Schlemmer.

CENTER: Members of the family read the will while Rinuccio sends for Gianni Schicchi. Left to right: John Brenneman, Bill Pinter, Darlene Parsons, Shelly Seely, Lyndon Tschetter, Bev Pettifor, Rosie Schlemmer, Larry Culp, and Susie Vold.

BOTTOM: Osgood (M. Moore) prepares to come to the aid of Millie (J. Gray) against the treacherous villain Mulberry Foxhall (J. Loucks).

"PLAIN AND FANCY"



ABOVE: Hilda (A. Kepner) is stern at finding Ezra (H. Brenneman) drinking Schnapps.



RIGHT: Teddy Reimer gives directions to Dan (R. Studebaker).



As expected, producing the musical "Plain and Fancy", by Stein and Glickman, took a tremendous amount of energy, dedication, and plain hard work. It was a rewarding experience for both the audience and the cast. Dr. Reimer, Mr. Doverspike, and Dr. Van Diest joined forces to achieve the best possible results in the areas of drama, music, and orchestration.

It was a tale of childhood romance intertwined with hilarious comedy as a plain Amish community encountered two fancy New Yorkers. There was "plenty of Pennsylvania" activity as the chorus, astonishingly, build a barn during one of the musical numbers.



CENTER: It is heartbreaking as Peter (S. Church) is blamed for the accidental burning of the barn, and is shunned, a terrible thing.

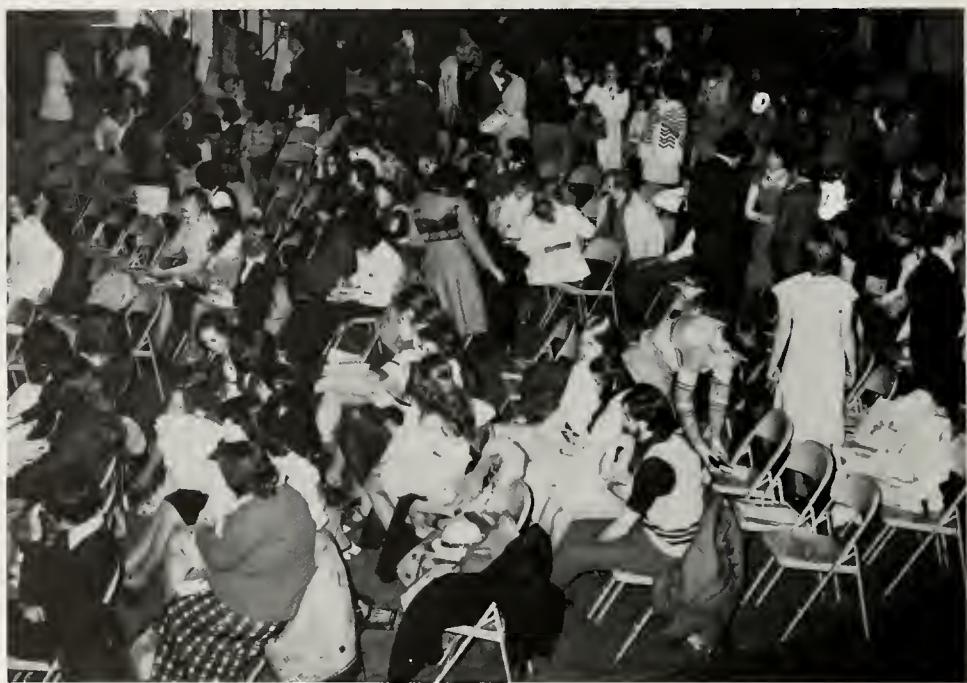
ABOVE: Cast members find time to chat as they apply their stage make-up.

RIGHT: Ruth gets more than she bargained for when she offers to help cook.



REACH OUT AND TOUCH

As Youth Convention approaches, practically all other activities of the students come to a halt in preparation for the annual invasion. For one short weekend (or long, depending on one's viewpoint), Bethel College becomes a densely populated area. Morning showers, normally cool, become ice-cold, and long lunch lines become even longer than long. However, for many it is a time of fruitfulness, a breath of home as youth groups and their sponsors pull in on Friday afternoon and early evening. Most of the credit for this successful weekend goes to the Youth Convention committee, which meets year-round preparing and planning activities to enrich and bless the lives of all who attend.



ABOVE: The main ingredient for a successful Youth Convention is people.



LEFT: Jody Stephanoff and Howard Brenneman help two conventioners register for the big weekend.

BELLOW LEFT: Dale Shidler and Ted Mueller try to keep their cool as they make final preparations for the variety show.



RIGHT: Tony Ahlstrom excited audiences with his messages as speaker for Youth Convention.

BELow: Jan Bontrager, Becky Aeschleman, and Karen Neal patiently wait in the extended lunch line.

BOTTOM: Members of the Youth Convention committee were—1st Row—L. Hutchins, Chairman K. Clark, K. Church, C. Halcomb; 2nd Row—D. Gaugler, K. Zook, S. Hawkins, K. Gygi, D. Davis, D. Turner, A. Perez, C. Matteson; 3rd Row—D. Shidler, Advisor B. Beyler, T. Trowbridge, B. Ake, J. Boyer, J. Clark, K. Dickson, T. Meuller.



JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Lorie Longshore together with her co-chairman Georgette Frey made this year's Junior-Senior Banquet a full evening of entertainment, good food, and enjoyment. The evening actually began at 4:00 in the afternoon when everyone went to see "Rocky" at the Town and Country Theater. Dinner was at the Quality Inn, downtown South Bend, followed by the Senior class history, a reading by Doc Reimer, and the Senior class predictions. Entertainment was by Steve Alexanderson and Band, a gospel rock group from Chicago, IL. It was truly an evening to remembered for a lifetime.



SHARE SPECIAL EVENING

LEFT: Chairman Lori Longshore and Co-Chairman Geargette Frey enjoy "their" banquet.

BELOW LEFT: The special evening is reflected on the faces of Jodie Richards and Steve Church as they eat the delicious meal.

RIGHT: Chatting before the meal are Dave Chapman and his date, Jim Gerber, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Speicher.

BELOW: Darlene Emery, Bev Pettifor, and Luana Schone load their plates from the buffet table.



BELOW: Clarence Trowbridge and Nancy Parrish relax between dinner and the entertainment.





RIGHT: Past president Ray Pannabecker, President Albert Beutler, Mayor Margaret Prickett, past president Woodrow Goodman, and Rev. Gordon Bacon pose after commencement, during which Mayor Prickett and Rev. Bacon were presented with Honorary Doctorate degrees.

SENIORS REALIZE GOALS



On May 22, our 33rd Commencement exercises were conducted. For the Senior class, it was a time for adventure and a time to reflect on their accomplishments these past four years.

The first president of Bethel, Dr. Woodrow Goodman, presented the class address entitled "A Faith To Live By," to the Senior class, their families, and friends.

Among the 78 degrees earned, 71 of them were Bachelor degrees, 5 were Associate Arts degrees, and two were Honorary Doctorate degrees. The Doctorate degrees went to Mishawaka Mayor Margaret Prickett, and to Rev. Gordon Bacon, the Baccalaureate speaker.

LEFT: Sandy and Frank Finkenbinder smile happily after graduation

BELLOW LEFT: Rev. Gordon Bacon speaks during Baccalaureate.





LEFT: Lynn Neddo and Heather Clyde experience the joy that comes to seniors after graduation.



ABOVE: Dr. Woodrow Goodman, Commencement speaker, tells graduates and guests the importance of faith.



LEFT: One of the last—and most enjoyable—steps in graduation is the turning of the tassels.

REFLECTIONS OF . . .

Organizations





LEFT: Ruth Kroon and her "basketball" make their rounds during Social Life-sponsored trick-or-treating.

BETWEEN: Social Life Committee consists of John McCreary, Rich Studebaker, advisor Liz Hossler, Eugene McCummons, Merrilee Church, and Delores Sherrard.



"UNITY IN PRAYER" STUCO THEME



RIGHT: Student Council Executive Council —Stan Church, President; Larry Culp, Vice-President; Bruce Beyler, Treasurer; Michelle Jewell, Corresponding Secretary; and Laura Johnson, Recording Secretary.



LEFT: Spiritual Life Commission members were—Eugene McCummons, Nancy Parish, Jack Williams, Joy Frederici, Chairman Clarence Trowbridge, Linda Boylon, and advisor Don Taylor.

BELLOW: Public Relations Committee—Dave Brown, Choirwoman Karen Dickson, Dale Shidler, Reese Thomas.

This year's Student Council worked together remarkably well. Because of this co-operation, all of the regularly scheduled activities were successful. To whom does this credit belong?

First of all, the Council chose "Unity in Prayer" as its theme and formed year long prayer partners. Our goal was to glorify our Savior. Praise the Lord first.

Credit and a big "thank you" belong to the chairpersons of each committee. Each of the representatives did their job well too. Also I especially want to thank Dr. Schultz and Mr. Speicher, our advisors.

They helped us with their invaluable wisdom and experience.

I hope the members of the student body appreciated what we did accomplish. I hope I represent the majority of StuCo when I write for them that we did what we felt was best for you.

—Stan Church,
Student Council President

RIGHT: Members of the Spiritual Life Commission pose during their trip to Chicago.



RIGHT: Members of the Judiciary Committee were Ted Mueller, chairman, Merrilee Church, Tom Krake, and Terry Shaffer.

BELOW: Ted Mueller converses with Dr. Gerber during the Honors Banquet.

BOTTOM: SAAC consisted of advisor Mrs. Medhurst, Ted Mueller, Deb Miller, Tom Krake, Dennis Hylander, and advisor Dr. Gerber.



WORKING FOR A BETTER BETHEL

There were several groups of people striving to improve the quality of life at Bethel.

The Judiciary Committee decided cases of rule-breaking and helped set up standards of conduct.

The Student Academic Affairs Committee sought to convince students of the value of a quality education, and of work on the part of the individual.

Residence Counselors were Mrs. Erma Steph, who resided in Shupe Hall, and Rev. C. Gordon Berry (better known as Padre), who lived in Oakwood Hall. These RC's were available for spiritual and emotional counseling, and in general for keeping order in the dorms.



ABOVE: Mrs. Steph is the "mother" to the girls in Shupe Hall.

RIGHT: "Padre" relaxes with a book in his room in Oakwood Hall.



REWARDS FOUND IN INVOLVEMENT

Associated Students of Communication are those persons who are interested in the development of communication skills. Social functions such as the "cleaning of the Helm" are part of this club's traditional activities.

The Foreign Students at Bethel met monthly to share experiences and feelings, and to enjoy each other's company.

Student Education Association is a club that meets the needs of students pursuing a career in Education. Monthly meetings revolve around topics like discipline in the classroom, job opportunities, certification, and opinions of teaching by student teachers and others.

The Science Club reaches students majoring in both science and mathematics. This year as in the past they grew flower plants and then sold them to students and faculty.



ABOVE: John Parent receives the ASC's "Student of the Year" award from Dr. Van Diest.

LEFT: Joseph Dazi is pleased with his birthday cake during a Foreign Students meeting.

RIGHT: Scott Miles performs magic tricks during the Student Teacher Appreciation Tea.

BELOW: SEA members were Rowena Fisher, Tom Krake, Merrilee Church, Eugene McCummons, and Ann Kepner.



BELOW: Members of the Science Club were Sally Leer, advisor Ron Bennett, advisor James Kroon, Dawn Coyle, advisor John Ellis, Elizabeth Dawuda, Merrilee Church, John Bontrager, and Penny Pack.



RIGHT: The Executive Club officers were Bruce Beyler, Delores Sherrard, Susan Kinsella, Lori Longshare, and Joe Graning.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Dr. Kinlaw speaks to members of the Ministerial Association during Spiritual Emphasis Week.

BELOW: Bruce Kling chats with guest speakers during Ministerial Convention.



TOP RIGHT: The Acorn is run by Executives, and brings refreshments to Bethelites.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Dennis Gaugler, left, leads Peoples Inc. members in a discussion of social issues.

LEFT: Members of People Inc. are, seated, Darlene Emery, Angel Perez, and Dennis Gaugler, and, standing, Cheryl Riffell, advisor Don Conrad, and Ruth Chelsen.



CLUBS SPELL INVOLVEMENT



People Inc. had another busy year under the direction of president Dennis Gaugler. Members of the club of Social Science majors sponsored a canoe trip and a car wash for fund raising purposes. Their big project was the spring blood drive, which was a service to both Bethel and the surrounding community.

Executives club members gained experience in the business field by running the Acorn and handling the vending machines. Members of this club are business majors interested in learning management and finances.

The Ministerial Association was geared for those planning to enter full-time Christian service. They enjoyed meeting together to discuss the trends of religion, missions, and pastoral ministry.



CONCERT CHOIR TOURS PENNSYLVANIA, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Besides the regular local concerts, this year's Concert Choir and Carillon enjoyed a performing tour through Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. The trip was taken during spring break instead of during January, making it easier on the members academically.

Highlights of the tour were visits to Gettysburg and a wax museum in Pennsylvania, and the Lincoln, and Jefferson Memorials, Washington Monument, and the Capitol Building in Washington.

RIGHT: Ron White and friends decorate the choir's bus with Ann Kepner.

CONCERT CHOIR, BELOW: Front—Nordgren, Jewell; 1st Row—Kepner, Dresbach, Pettifor, Richards, Matteson, Swope, Boylan, K. Johnson, Parsons; 2nd Row—McCreary, S. Church, Heiple, Sherrard, Neuenschwander, Saltzgaber, Chelsen, Hesse, Adamek, K. Evans, Batterbee, L. Johnson, Garfield, Gadd; 3rd Row—Thomas, Zook, H. Johnson, Singbusch, Jackson, Pinter, Sheets, Culp, Brenneman, S. Church, Hoist, Fisher, G. Evans, K. Church, White.





CARILLON: Hugh Johnson, Delores Sherrard, Kathy Johnson, Steve Zook, Crystal Cornelius, Marty White, Bev Pettifor, Ron White. Director: John Cary. Not shown: Bonita Smith.



ABOVE LEFT: Dale Shidler and Cindy Matteson are excited as they carry their luggage to the waiting bus.

ABOVE: Choir members gaze at the stained glass windows in St. Anthony's Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

LEFT: John Reeder has his hands full as he helps load the bus before chair tour.





ABOVE: Bringing music to basketball games were, 1st Row—JoEllen Davis, Sanja Neuenschwander, Kathy Miller, Mary Clark; 2nd Row—Banita Smith, Bev Pettifor, Deb Davis, Sharon Phillip; 3rd Row—Dave Miller, Kathy Johnson, Merrilee Church, John Cary, Gary Evans, Ron White, Dale Taylor, Dennis Hooley.

RIGHT: Trumpeters Kathy Johnson, Hugh Johnson, and Delores Sherrard add volume to the pepband.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Area churches enjoy the music of Joy. Members were Becky German, Darlene Parsons, Bev Pettifor, and Melodie Batterbee.



MUSICAL MESSAGES

The pepband enthused fans, team, and cheerleaders with their lively music during home basketball games. The members were often the key to much of the spirit generated at those events.

The Gospel teams purpose was three fold. First, they gave participating students experience in performing before audiences. Secondly they worked as a public relations arm of the College. And most important, they gave students a chance to share Christ with others in their own special way.



LEFT: Fine gospel music was presented by the gospel team consisting af Ann Kepner, Steve Allen, Jady Richards, John McCreary, Sonja Neuenschwander, Cindy Matteson and Dave Miller.

BELLOW: Members of on all-girl gospel team were Kathi Evans, Penny Pack, Rene Turner, Susie Beutler, Sue Garfield, Sandy Adamek.



TOP RIGHT: Sue (Sharon Philip) tells Julie (Kathy Miller) about her own troubled marriage.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Dale Shidler looks pleased as he boards The Golden Goose II for a trip.

RIGHT: Bob (Jon Sabo) tries to explain to Norm (Rich Studebaker) the problems in a marriage between a Christian and a non-believer.

BELOW: Julie (Deb Shumacher) can't take Norm seriously during his 8th marriage proposal.



RIGHT: The interior of the Golden Goose II got a facelift this year, shown here just before completion.

A DIFFERENT KIND OF SERMON

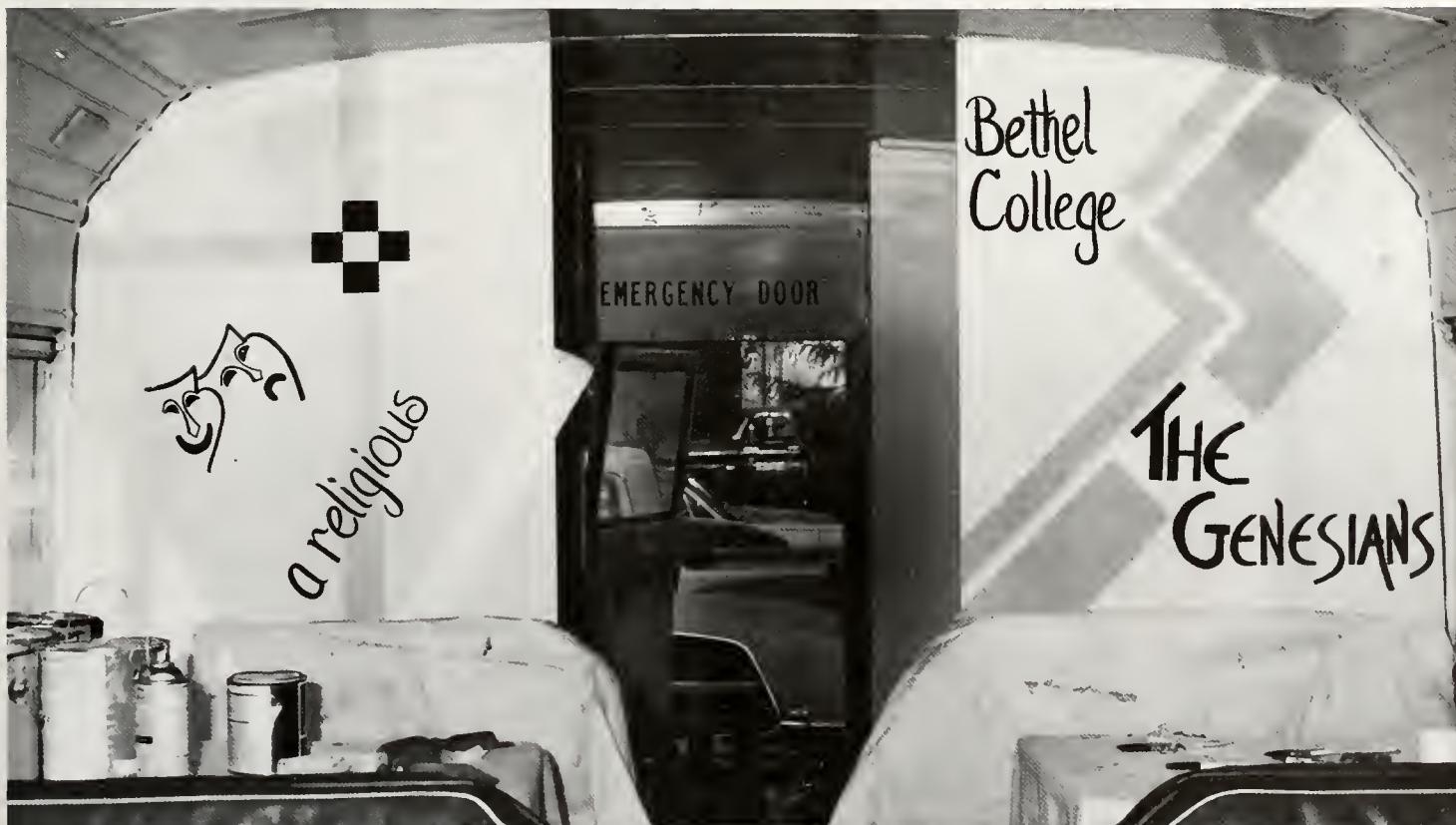


Bethel's drama troupe, the Genesians, enjoyed another busy year. This marked their 12th year of travel and performing, presenting the Gospel across the U.S. and Canada.

Some Genesian audiences enjoyed "The Long Road Home," the story of the prodigal son. Others saw "I'm Going to Order a Lion," Doc Reimer's newest play, about a young man's struggle with the concept of Christianity.

The Genesians had two tours this year. One, an extended weekend, saw the troupe perform in Eastern Michigan and Ontario, Canada. Their spring tour took them through Ohio and Central Pennsylvania.

LEFT: 1st Row—J. Laucks, K. Miller, J. Sabo; 2nd Row—B. Carter, L. Tschetter, S. Philip, D. Shidler, D. Shumacher; 3rd Row—R. Studebaker, E. Reimer, K. Yoder.



A PLACE ONLY AN EDITOR COULD

It was probably the messiest two rooms on campus (excluding some dorm rooms), but the staffs in the Beacon and Helm offices usually managed to pull order out of chaos and put together their publications.

The job demanded an ability to work both day and night, stomach pizza at two a.m., and survive nine (or more) months of ulcers and nervous tension. But somehow all members of the staffs survived, and even the editors came out of the year in reasonably good health.

The publications turned out OK too.



"Four years ago Indiana voters made five wise decisions."

More
decisions
should be
repeated

LOVE

BELOW: Beacon editor Jack Williams and sports editor John Parent hold a 3:00 A.M. staff meeting.



ABOVE LEFT: The Helm office in better days!

LEFT: Activities editor Jody Richards and associate editor Marlene Edison give editor Darlene Emery a boost with the yearbook.



ABOVE: Photographers Rich Studebaker, Pete Crotser, John Cary, and Dave Brown find themselves on the receiving end.

LEFT: Helm editor Darlene Emery works on layouts for the yearbook.

BELOW: Copy editor Cathy Holcomb and sports information editor Denny Wertz confer during a Helm work session.



LEFT: We're not even going to try to label this picture!

BELOW: Nick Garcia poses with his pride and joy.



ABOVE: This was the winning entry in the HELM'S Beautiful Legs Contest. Unfortunately, we don't know whose they are.

RIGHT: Greg Springer and Joni Erickson enjoy each other's company on a warm spring day.

TIME FOR A LITTLE





LEFT: Rob Bjorkland gets a bird's eye view of the sidewalk from the top of his car.

RIGHT: Munching on a hamburger, Rowena Fisher enjoys an outdoor meal.

BELLOW: Linda Hutchins and Dave Chapman relax a bit during the hectic Youth Convention weekend.



BIT OF EVERYTHING



REFLECTIONS OF . . .

Academics





LEARNING TO TEACH

Learning can be tough, but learning in order to teach others seems an impossibility at times. Education students learned that teachers have to be ready with answers to all questions at all times. Or at least they have to have an idea where that answer can be found.

Psychology helped students figure out what makes people tick, and how to deal with and help different types of psyches.

One exercise that most education students enjoyed was working directly with children. This was a learning experience for both the child and the would-be teacher.



FAR LEFT: Dave Chapman learns about gun handling and safety in the new physical education course.

LEFT: Volleyball is an always-popular class. Here Jon Sabo and Tom Krake try to stop David Allen's spike.

BELOW: Members of Mrs. Medhurst's class relax after a movie on corrective reading habits.

BOTTOM LEFT: Ed Sommers makes a friend as his class visits an area school.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Mike Lightfoot enjoys his spot at the head of the class.





RIGHT: Kathi Evans catches the photographer in the act as Sharon Philip strains to understand in Music Theory.

BELOW: Woodwind students listen intently as Mr. Habegger explains the instrument.

BELOW RIGHT: Students take a breather at Valparaiso University during a Fine Arts trip.



SKETCHES AND SCALES

The Fine Arts department began expansion this year with several new courses and majors. In addition to the ever-popular Fine Arts class with Professor Weaver, budding artists were pleased to find more art courses offered. In music, two new Associate Arts degrees were started. These were Applied Music and Church Music.

Innovative efforts such as these helped to make our already strong Fine Arts program even better.



ABOVE: Fine Arts students learn to appreciate the beauty of structures such as this church.

LEFT: Dave Brown's art project not only gave him valuable experience, but also gave chapel a lovely backdrop.





ABOVE LEFT: Mary Zoss, vocal recital.

ABOVE: Laura Johnson, bass and cello recital.

LEFT: Paul Foltz, piano recital.

BELOW: Wendy Saltzgaber, vocal recital.

RIGHT: Susy Vald, piano recital.

FAR RIGHT: Donna Mitchell, vocal recital.



SENIOR RECITALS

Music recitals are always special, not only to those performing, but also to those who are enjoying that performance. These recitals are not just mandatory final exams for the music majors but, for the seniors especially, are a culmination of years of exhausting study, work, and many, many hours of practice. The final product is a gratifying and uplifting experience for all involved.





LEFT: Heather Clyde and Wendy Saltzgaber clown during French class.

BELLOW LEFT: Randy Coak can't seem to find his chair, to the amusement of Steve Waalet.

BELLOW: Elizabeth Dawodu takes notes in History of the English Language.



SPANISH AND SPENCER



In a world full of troubles, it is important that we communicate clearly with our fellow inhabitants. The division of Language and Literature helped students learn to express exact meanings not only in English but in foreign languages as well. The goal of the department was to avoid misunderstandings and misconceptions through knowledge of words and how they are used by different peoples.

Students were also taught to glean different ideas and opinions through literature. Those fluent in foreign languages had the advantage of absorbing a culture through its native works.



LEFT: Karla Armstrong ponders Mr. Robinson's words during American Literature.

BELLOW: Marty White and Ted Mueller are two of the hardy souls who attempted third year German.

RIGHT: In Oral Communication, Bonnie Hamilton takes a nibble from her pen to hold her until lunch.



ABOVE: Lynn Neddo uses her knowledge of French to teach a class in that language.

LEFT: Morlene Edison, Darlene Emery, and Ted Mueller enjoy a pizza party on the last day of Journalism.





ABOVE: Jerry Hooley and Karen Neal discover new forms under a microscope in science lab.

ABOVE RIGHT: Brenda Litweller is amused as Dale Shidler bares his feelings about studying statistics.

RIGHT: Pausing to write down notes, Dione Chase works on a project in Zoology lab.



RIGHT: A science student makes a culture for her assignment in Microbiology Lab.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Eugene McCummons is lost in thought during Teacher's Math.



IT FIGURES

Some Natural Science majors practically lived in the science labs, emerging only to eat and (sometimes) to sleep. Not all science and math students were *that* dedicated, but they did all work hard. Often they were heard in conversation, using words and terms foreign to fellow Bethelites.

The microbiology lab got a boost when the area Lion's club donated a special piece of equipment to the school. This was a microscope allowing organisms to be viewed while still alive, as opposed to the conventional method of killing and staining them.





ABOVE: Bruce Kline relaxes a moment before his Philosophy class.



ABOVE RIGHT: Stan George waits for the next notes in World Religions.

RIGHT: John McRoberts, Steve Steele, and Gary Evans appear to enjoy their final exam in Old Testament.

TOP RIGHT: Tom Trowbridge forgets about studying for his Biblical Literature class while Diane Chase and Dennis Gugler are around.





BELOW: Rich Studebaker worked as a summer "missionary" in Pennsylvania this year.

BOTTOM: Eva Mae Reifel and Cathy Stewart listen intently in World Religions.

PLATO AND PAGANISM

The division of Religion and Philosophy is centered around dedicated faculty as well as dedicated students. Besides learning the contents of the Bible, these students seek to learn the origin and early languages of the Bible to better prepare them for Christian service.

They also study the different religions and schools of thought in the world. Philosophy classes give students a chance to learn the views of different cultures on life and God.



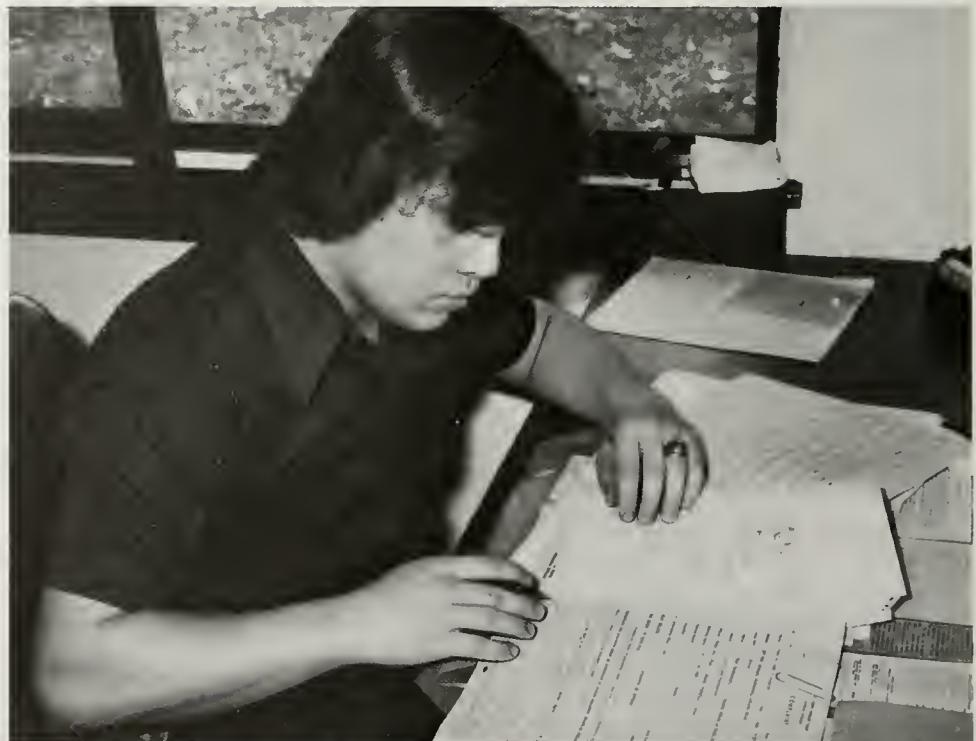


LEFT: Denise Amstutz and Dewey Cox enjoy their Research Methods class, which had its last session at Golden Bear.

RIGHT: Accounting has 1st year students stumped.

RIGHT: Dennis Gaugler studies a complaint about a juvenile during his case work for Sociology.

BELOW: Sam Armington and Kurt Church plan their trip to Africa, for which Sam will receive credit in Social Science and Kurt in Missions.



RIGHT: Deb Davis finds that Shorthand means hours of practice every day.

FAR RIGHT: Ricky Rey tells an Area Study class about his home in the Philippines.





TRENDS

AND TRAVEL

The division of Social Science was given a boost by the addition of a two-year secretarial course. Typing and shorthand were diligently practiced by the students enrolled in these classes.

A mysterious group calling itself Compro floated around campus with in-depth surveys in hand for some months before everyone realized what was going on. These Bethelites earned credits in Social Science while providing a valuable service for the school.

Once again, the Business department offered practical help to the community by conducting a course in Tax Preparation.



WHO'S WHO

DR. WAYNE GERBER—ADVISOR
MISHAWAKA, IN

TOM KRAKE—JUNIOR
ANN ARBOR, MI

CATHY HOLCOMB—JUNIOR
SOUTH LYON, MI

RICHARD STUDEBAKER—JUNIOR
SPARTA, MI

MARLENE MARKS—JUNIOR
ADA, MI



1976-77



MICHELLE JEWELL—JUNIOR
MARLETTE, MI

BRUCE BEYLER—JUNIOR
SOUTH BEND, IN

DELORES SHERRARD—JUNIOR
CASS CITY, MI

JACK WILLIAMS—SENIOR
MOORESVILLE, IN

KAREN DICKSON—JUNIOR
DOWAGIAC, MI

JIM GERBER—JUNIOR
MISHAWAKA, IN

REFLECTIONS OF . . .

Sports



HARD TIME FOR SOCCER TEAM

This year's Soccer team saw 12 returning lettermen and five, first year members. Under the direction of Coach Dick Patterson, the team practiced and conditioned themselves for the 1976-77 season.

The overall record could have been better, but the team worked hard and reached many personal goals.

In addition to the 5 new members, Lorie Longshore and Georgette Frey were the first women managers for the Soccer team. Coach Patterson stated that the girls worked just as hard as the team did.



TOP RIGHT: Teamwork is displayed as Clint Emerson boots the ball to Nick Garcia.

ABOVE: Goalie Dave Sheets does his thing in defending the Pilot goal.

RIGHT: Fans remain faithful with mittens, hats, and hoods.





ABOVE: 1st Row—C. Greeney, D. Cox, K. Clark, T. Riggenbach, J. Hooley, J. Loucks, Lory Longshore; 2nd Row—Coach Patterson, N. Garcia, C. Emerson, M. Moore, D. Polston, J. Groning, K. Storange, R. Smith, M. Presnell, J. Kroske, J. Sabo, J. Bontrager.

RIGHT: The Pilots take a breather as Coach Patterson explains the second-half strategy.





ABOVE: Lorie Longshore and Georgette Frey worked as managers for the soccer team.

ABOVE RIGHT: Jon Sabo prepares for a downfield kick as a G.R. Baptist opponent approaches.

RIGHT: Roberto Smith controls the ball against a G.R. Baptist player.



<u>WE</u>		<u>THEY</u>
2	Grace	5
1	Goshen	8
1	John Wesley	5
1	IUPU	1
0	St. Francis	6
2	Tri-State	3
3	Huntington	0
1	Manchester	4
3	Notre Dame	3
2	G.R. Baptist	1
4	Marion	1
1	Indiana Tech	0
0	Purdue-Calumet	6

SEASON RECORD 4-7-2

PILOTS START OUT SLOWLY BUT GAIN MOMENTUM TOWARD END



After a shaky start, losing the first 5-out-of-6 games, the Pilots managed to put together a small winning streak including a tie against Notre Dame.

One of the most exciting victories for the team came when they defeated Huntington 3-0, after losing to them the previous year with a score of 12-1.

Other teams that fell to the Pilots were Grand Rapids Baptist, Marion, and Indiana Tech.

As for next year, the team as well as the staff are very optimistic.

LEFT: Terry Rigenbach dribbles the ball downfield.

BETWEEN: Coach Patterson and team discuss tactics during half-time.





TOUGH SEASON FOR TENNIS TEAM



With only two lettermen returning, the Tennis team suffered from lack of competitive experience.

After winning their first match, the Pilots failed to put together a victory until their sixth match.

Although the statistics don't show it the season was a winning one for each of the members of the team. Organized practice and drills helped each person to become a well rounded athlete.

As Coach Drew mentioned time after time, even though you don't win the match, if you've played your best, you are a winner.





TOP FAR LEFT: 1st Row—Ron White, Darlene Emery, Marc Showalter; 2nd Row —Larry Culp, Casper Johnson, Dave Sheets, Jim Gerber. Not pictured—Gary Evans, Greg Lutz.

TOP LEFT: Dave Sheets executes a successful approach shot.

FAR LEFT: An expression of determination assists Darlene Emery on the tennis court.

LEFT: Marc Showalter starts off a doubles match as Gary Evan waits for the return.

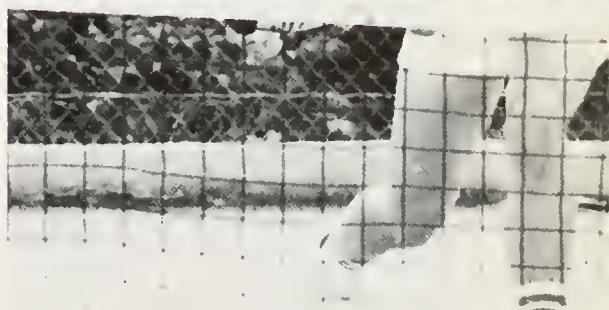
ABOVE: In a singles match, Gary Evans attempts to return the lead-off serve.

RIGHT: Reaching for an outside shot, Jim Gerber returns a hit in practice.

FAR RIGHT: Ron White rushes the net on a drop shot.



WE	THEY
6	St. Francis 3
0	Grace 9
0	Huntington 8
1	Tri-State 8
0	Marian 9
6	Indiana Tech 3
0	I.U.P.U. 9
4	Goshen 5





SPIKERS BUILD SKILLS

They said it could never be done, with the varsity team consisting of three returning letterwomen and five freshmen; but it was. The team managed to compile the best volleyball record ever by winning five matches against twelve losses.

As with most teams who are just starting out, the problem didn't lie in the lack of talent, but rather in the team's lack of confidence. The team did have a motto which helped to build confidence, taken from Isaiah 30:15, ". . . in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength . . .".

Factors leading to this years victories were unity, spirit, and the growth of confidence.

This year's team had the privilege of participating in a number of tri-meets and also in the Indiana Small College State Tourney at Taylor University in which over 30 schools were represented.



TOP LEFT: B-Team members include, seated, C. Jones, K. Armstrong, J. Erickson, and K. Clagett; standing, V. Allen, H. Beach, Coach Hossler, A. Habbegger, and S. Hebner.

TOP: At practice, Linda Martin displays the proper way to dig the ball.

LEFT: Kim Warren successfully bumps the ball to the front line as Jean Ditmer backs her up.

BELOW: Audrey Habbegger sets the ball as Vicki Allen prepares to spike it during their first game.

BOTTOM: Liz unifies her team during a time out.

RIGHT: Joy Clark sets the ball as Karen Clagett watches.



RIGHT: Varsity team members, standing, J. Stephanoff, B. Aeschleman, J. Ditmer, and K. Warren; seated, M. Edison, J. Yoder, Coach Hossler, L. Martin, and J. Clark.



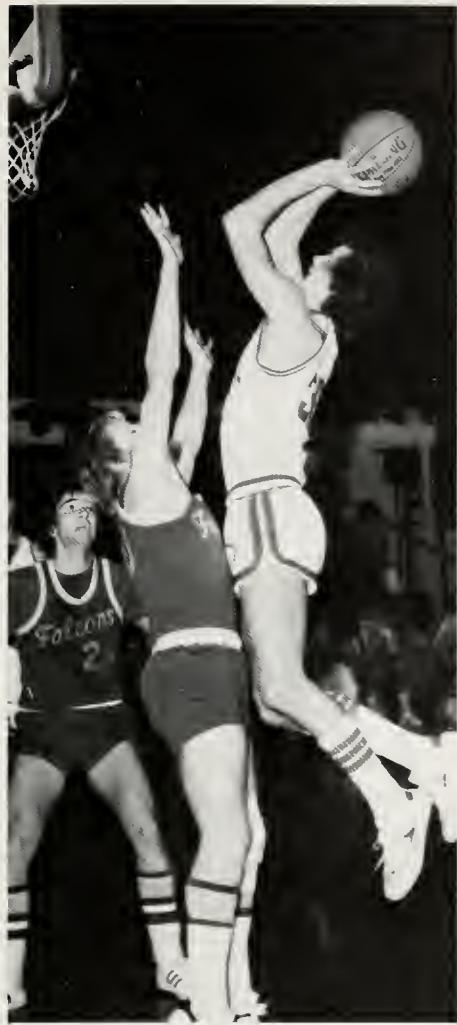
TEAMWORK IS THE KEY

So, the team that was predicted to win "6 or 7" games came away with the second best season record in Bethel's history. What was the reason? Most people attributed this super season to the Pilots' unity. They were not only a team in name, but in spirit also. They showed this unity in practice, in warm-ups, in the huddle, and especially on the floor. No matter who was playing and who was sitting on the bench, the fans in the gym could sense the almost tangible support that each player gave to the others.

And this unity had results, too. It was contagious, and it spread through the school, making this probably the most enjoyable and rewarding season, not only for coach and players, but for every supporter and fan present at the Pilots' games.

It was a good year.





LEFT: A Fort Wayne opponent gets left behind as Steve Brown shoots for two.

RIGHT: Casper Johnson stretches for a bucket, evading the efforts of IUNW team members.

BETWEEN: Dana Zartman helps the Pilot cause during the tough John Wesley game.



TOP LEFT: As team manager, Dave Moore was allowed to do all the fun chores, like sweeping the gym floor.

MIDDLE LEFT: The Pilots' stall was enjoyable to the fans, but baffling to the opponents.

FAR LEFT: Mike "Gordon" Lightfoot goes up for two against St. Francis.

LEFT: Coach Drew gives valuable pointers to the Pilots during a time-out.



SUPER ACTION, SUPER SEASON

How do you put long hours of practice, travel to and from games, and the excitement of the games themselves into a few lines on a piece of paper? Let's just capture some of the exciting moments from this year's basketball season.

After winning, the first three games (including the Pilots Invitational) the team traveled to the Turkey Classic; where they were handed their first defeat by a tough Grace team.

From then on, the Pilots played good ball. They experienced victories with scores like 114-85 against Marion and 113-75 against Miami Christian as well as losses like 57-60 to Tri-State.

Then there were the close games, like the game against Trinity Christian when the Pilots found themselves down by 9 points with less than 3 minutes to go. From out of nowhere came that extra burst of energy, that extra push from the fans that led the Pilots to tie the game and eventually win it 92-87.

Once again bad luck plagued the Pilots during the play-offs. The Pilots were eliminated in the NAIA by Grace in their first game.

In the NCCAA excitement rose when the Pilots went into a triple over-time against John Wesley where the Pilots went ahead to win 80-74.

A defeat by Grace in the second game of the NCCAA ended the Pilots 1976-1977 season with a record of 18-9 regular season and 19-11 over all.



RIGHT: Tom Naak contributes to the Homecoming victory against FWBC.



LEFT: 1st Row — D. Milier, D. Emery, J. Stephanoff, J. Gray; 2nd Row—K. Daniels, D. Armington, J. Yoder, M. Lightfoot, M. Grose, K. Fulton; 3rd Row—S. Brown, J. Davis, D. Moore, S. Sewell, B. Pinter, G. Butz, C. Johnson, D. Zartman, T. Naak, President Beutler, Coach Drew.

RIGHT: Kevin Fulton sinks one as Huntington netters watch helplessly.



ABOVE: The search for a lost contact gives players a breather at the G. R. Baptist game.



WE		THEY
74	G. R. Baptist	69
103	GRSBM	47
76	Ft. Wayne Bible	52
68	Grace	77
70	Bryan	66
80	Geneva	87
79	St. Francis	78
116	IUNW	73
60	Huntington	63
114	Marion	85
79	Bryan	89
113	Miami Christian	75
96	IUPU-Ft. Wayne	73
57	Tri-State	60
71	Marian	65
108	G. R. Baptist	77
80	Marian	68
76	Ft. Wayne Bible	72
56	Tri-State	74
92	Trinity Christian	87
55	John Wesley	77
77	Goshen	85
93	Ft. Wayne Bible	65
85	John Wesley	62
101	GRSBM	78
68	Indiana Tech	63
85	Huntington	94
	N.A.I.A. PLAYOFFS	
58	Grace	70
	N.C.C.A.A. PLAYOFFS	
80	John Wesley	74
62	Grace	64

SEASON RECORD: 19-11

BETHEL 53
BELOW: Dick Armington leaps for a basket against a taller John Wesley player.



A LEARNING EXPERIENCE

A well-organized women's sports program led to an enlarged basketball schedule this year. Under the direction of Coach Liz Hossler, with the assistance of Marc Showalter, the women worked not only on fundamentals but also on teamwork and strategic plays.

Both mental and physical conditioning helped the women develop unity, attitude, discipline and confidence.

Although their season ended without a victory, the experience they gained will be valuable for next year's season.



ABOVE: Jeanine Ramsey goes up for two against a St. Mory's opponent.

LEFT: Despite stiff opposition, Sally Groser shoots for a bucket.

RIGHT: Using the skills she learned in practice, Kim Warren dribbles down the floor.

BELOW: 1st Row—Marc Showalter, Becky Aeschleman, Linda Martin, Bonnie Basketball, Jay Clark, Jeanine Ramsey, Coach Hossler; 2nd Row—Delores Sherrard, Marlene Edison, Kim Warren, Karen Dickson, Sharon Philip, Annette Voyles.





LEFT: Coach Patterson encourages his players with some well-earned applause.



RIGHT: Clint Emerson, in the catcher's position, helps a pitcher warm up before the start of another inning.



ABOVE: Rob Bjorkland is all concentration as he waits for the pitch from the Taylor pitcher.



ABOVE: Randy Hogue connects with the pitch for a hit against Taylar.



LEFT: Catcher Clint Emerson has some words of advice for pitcher Doug Taylor during Bethel's first doubleheader at College Park.

BATSMEN

END AT 17-11

Eight freshmen and eight returning lettermen charted the Pilot's roster this year. The inexperienced team pulled together after their first 4 losses, worked hard, and managed to end their seasonal play with a win/loss record of 17-11. Post-seasonal play took place after the Pilots got both NAIA and NCCAA bids. In the NAIA, the Pilots were terminated in double elimination by Huntington (3-6) and Anderson (0-9). In the NCCAA—losing a doubleheader to Cedarville (4-6, 5-6)—the Pilots were retired from further play.

Highlights of this year's season were winning doubleheaders over Goshen, Marion, St. Francis, Indiana Tech, Tri-State, Manchester, and John Wesley.



ABOVE: Jeff Springer hustles back to 1st to avoid being tagged out by his Taylor opponent.

RIGHT: 1st Row—J. Stephanoff, K. Miller, M. Presnell, S. Groser, J. Gray; 2nd Row—D. Pola, R. Bjorkland, J. Springer, D. Taylor, T. Wagner, D. Gray; 3rd Row—G. Heyde, G. Springer, E. Sommer, C. Emerson, M. Moore, D. Wertz; 4th Row—Coach Patterson, R. Hogue, J. Coyle, J. Groning, D. Armington, B. Rardin, K. Daniels. Not pictured: D. Severance.



<u>WE</u>	<u>THEY</u>
6,5	Trevecca
0,1	Belmont
7,8	Marian
6,3	Goshen
6,5	Marion
6,5	St. Francis
1,11	Taylor
2,3	Aquinas
9,3	Purdue-Calumet
1,3	Grace
15,6	Indiana Tech
2,2	Tri-State
1,5	Manchester
9,4	John Wesley

N.A.I.A.

3	Huntington	6
0	Anderson	9

N.C.C.A.A.

4,5	Cedarville	6,6
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NEW DIAMOND BOOSTS SPIRIT



RIGHT: Coach Patterson lends a helping hand to a Tri-State pitcher.



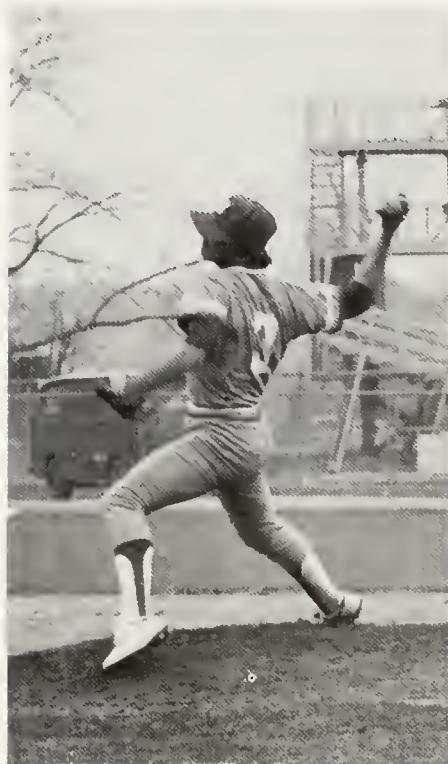
"Take me out to the ball game,
take me out to the crowd . . ." For years this has been the Pilot fans' theme song. Since Bethel hasn't had a "home" field, students and faculty members have had to find rides to the "home games" all over two cities.

This year, though, Coach Patterson, a dedicated baseball team, and several community supporters presented Bethel with her very own baseball diamond—one of the finest in the state. The Pilots got to play a few of their last seasonal games on the new field, and the fans' theme song changed to something more like "Home, Sweet Home."



LEFT: Randy Hogue takes a Manchester player out during a fast-paced inning.

BETWEEN: Tim Wagner shows good form against Taylor.



LEFT: High School team-mates become rivals as Dante Pala (at bat) apposes Ralph DeGeeter of Manchester College.

FAR LEFT: Hamilton Calvert presents a check to Coach Patterson as Mr. Aeschleman, President Beutler, and the team look on. Many people donated time, money, and materials to make the diamond ready for seasonal play.



ABOVE: Larry Culp and opponent start toward their balls at the Bethel Invitational.

CENTER: Bob Wilkinson, top, and Mark Grose, bottom, show their style.

RIGHT: Gary Firestone shows the form that helped him win a spot on the All-State team.



RIGHT: Team members relax during a match. They are Gary Firestone, Larry Culp, Mark Grose, and Mike Brown. Not pictured: Glenn McKenzie.

BELOW: Mike Brown watches to see where the ball lands on a practice drive.

BOTTOM: Gary Firestone watches as his opponent lines up a putt.



VETERANS LEAD SUPER LINKSMEN

Returning lettermen and talented "rookies" put together a successful golf team. This year's team was coached by Don Granitz.

The team basically was expected to practice on their own, and practice they must have. The season was highlighted by several outstanding team and individual performances.

In the Bethel Invitational, the Pilots placed second out of 10 schools. In individual records, Gary Firestone placed second and Larry Culp tied for fifth out of more than 50 participants. At the Dairy Queen Invitational in Fort Wayne, Larry Culp again shot an excellent game, placing second.

First year lettermen on the team were Mike Brown and Mark Grose. Returning linksmen were Bob Wilkinson, Larry Culp, Gary Firestone, and Glenn McKenzie. Gary Firestone was named to the all-district team at the state finals.





ABOVE: Marlene Edison gets ready to hit a homer for her softball team.

RIGHT: In basketball action, Darrell Gray goes up for two against Paul Wall as Mike Brown and Chris Greeney watch.



INTRAMURAL PROGRAM BUILDS



ABOVE: Ed Sommer and Joseph Dazi joined forces to win the doubles tennis tournament.

RIGHT: Roy Shaw and Bob Wilkinson go up for the jump ball as Joe Wook gets ready to spring into action.

FAR RIGHT: Doug Taylor shows total concentration as he shoots a free throw.

A well-rounded intramural program served two purposes this year. It gave students a chance to participate in a competitive sports program, and it provided activity to break the monotony of school work.

Along with basketball, tennis, and softball, a volleyball program was started with many participants and much success. Intramural directors Marlene Edison and Doug Taylor had each program well-organized and smooth-running to make for an enjoyable season for all involved.





ABOVE: The addition of guy cheerleaders brought the squad to new heights this year.

ABOVE RIGHT: Soccer fans often faced cold, rainy weather to cheer on their team.

RIGHT: Our very own diamond (finally!) brought record attendance to the baseball games.

BETWEEN: Pilot fans are ecstatic as the team pulls off another Invitational title.



WE KNEW!

It didn't take long before we knew this year was going to be different. When they started cheering, singing, and clapping at the soccer games, we knew.

Maybe, we thought, it won't last all year. But when we saw Dr. Mallory and Dr. Conrad throw themselves into "lean-a-lean-a-lean", we knew. And when we saw the entire west side of the gym stand on "Get up for the Pilots"—and keep standing until the team pulled out another close game—we knew for sure. This spirit was here to stay.

And finally, when we saw them packing the stands at the baseball games, we *really* knew. We had cheered our way through the most exciting and enjoyable year of sports that Bethel has ever had. We just knew it.





ABOVE: The cheerleading squad included: Jody Stephanoff, Barb Carter, Angie Smyser, Darlene Emery, and Deb Miller. Not pictured: Julie Gray.

FAR LEFT: Jody Stephanoff and Angie Smyser kick up some spirit at a basketball game.

LEFT: Students showed their appreciation for a super basketball season by signing a poster for coach and team.

BELLOW: At Homecoming, students show off Bethel's "famous" lean cheer.



A NICE CHANGE



ABOVE: Rich Studebaker and Mike Adams entertain with their version of "Who's on First?".

RIGHT: Larry Culp and Jeff Springer are shown with Coach Patterson after being named co-winners of the Athlete of the Year award.

BETWEEN: Members of the head table enjoy the fine food served at the banquet.

This year's sports banquet was refreshingly different from previous years. It was held in the gym, which made everyone feel at home, but which did not detract from the festivity of the occasion.

Athletes and guests found themselves treated not only to a good meal, but delightful entertainment as well. There was a comedy sketch about baseball, a barbershop quartet, and even a sing-along for the audience.

Individual awards such as MVP, Most Improved, etc., were abolished this year to keep the stress on teamwork and unified effort. The Athlete of the Year award went to co-winners Larry Culp and Jeff Springer.

When it was over, everyone agreed that it was a very enjoyable evening.





LEFT: Keith Penrod is one of several recipients of special service awards from Coach Drew.

BELOW LEFT: Coach Patterson auctions off the first ticket to the baseball benefit.

BELOW: Members of the Golf team receive recognition for their participation in the sports program.

BOTTOM: As a special musical treat, Bill Pinter, Dave Sheets, Gary Evans, and Larry Culp give their rendition of "Coney Island Baby."



REFLECTIONS OF . . .

People



A LEADER AND A FRIEND



LEFT: President Albert Beutler stops on a hill above Jerusalem to read from the scriptures.

ABOVE: The photographer catches President Beutler at a busy moment in his office.



ABOVE: Bethel's own Good Shepherd!

LEFT: President Beutler is surprised at a birthday present from Stan Church, StuCo president.

BETWEEN: The past meets the present as Dr. Beutler chats with Bethel's former presidents, Woodrow Goodman and Ray Pannabecker.





ABOVE: Richard Aeschleman, assistant to the President, presents a donation to President Beutler.

ABOVE RIGHT: Bob Beyler, Admissions, is startled by the Helm photographer.

RIGHT: Dean of Students Don Granitz gets busy on his written work.



ADMINISTRATORS HARD AT WORK



TOP: Registrar Dave Matteson relaxes at a faculty birthday party.

ABOVE: Academic Dean Wayne Gerber checks his lists against a computer read-out.

ABOVE LEFT: Keith Yoder, Business Manager, checks to make sure all the Thanksgiving turkeys are ready for the faculty.

LEFT: Don Granitz, Keith Yoder, and Richard Aeschleman pose for the camera at their farewell party.

EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY

RIGHT: Volleyball teacher Liz Hossler watches her students carefully.

CENTER RIGHT: Mrs. Medhurst attempts to prepare her students for future teaching jobs of their own.

TOP FAR RIGHT: Coaches Homer Drew and Jewell Davis give the team a break during a rough practice.

LOWER RIGHT: Stanley Taylor makes sure that the storage room is well supplied.

LOWER FAR RIGHT: Dick Patterson shares with his students some valuable concepts of physical education.

BETWEEN: Enjoying her involvement in the Compro program, Bernice Schultz does her part in computing statistics.







TOP LEFT: During a Woodwind class, Mr. Lewis Habagger explains some fundamentals of the instruments.

TOP RIGHT: Ann Divine teaches her students the "ABC's" of music.

RIGHT: Dennis Doverspike displays enthusiasm for his work as he sings at Youth Convention.



FINE ARTS



TOP LEFT: Steve Dallas captures the mood of a song during the Commencement concert.

TOP: A slightly wind-blown Ray Weaver pauses for a quick picture during his traditional Fine Arts trip to Chicago.

LEFT: Professor Nordgren enjoys food and friends at the Alumni Banquet.



LEFT: Norman Van Diest discusses minute details of communication.



RIGHT: Doc Reimer listens to a student during a discussion on the works of Mark Twain.

BELOW LEFT: Professor Curtis spreads his knowledge of the German language to 3rd year students.

BELOW RIGHT: Maurice Crum obviously enjoys the last session of Journalism class (complete with pizza).





LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE



ABOVE LEFT: "Waes se grimmo gaesta Grendel haten," says Mrs. Slavik as she teaches History of the English Language.

ABOVE: Wayne Speicher draws on his experiences as a missionary in Mexico to help him in Spanish class.

LEFT: Professor Robinson thoroughly enjoys a birthday party given in his honor.



SOCIAL SCIENCE



ABOVE LEFT: Dr. Mallory changes places with a student during a class report.

ABOVE RIGHT: Dr. Conrad . . . taken by surprise . . . we'll never know what he was up to!

LEFT: Mr. Bellaire seeks autographs from his students.





RIGHT: Prof. "Sammy" Hoke demonstrates the correct way to do the twist.

BELOW: Bonnie Sandberg prepares for her Shorthand class.



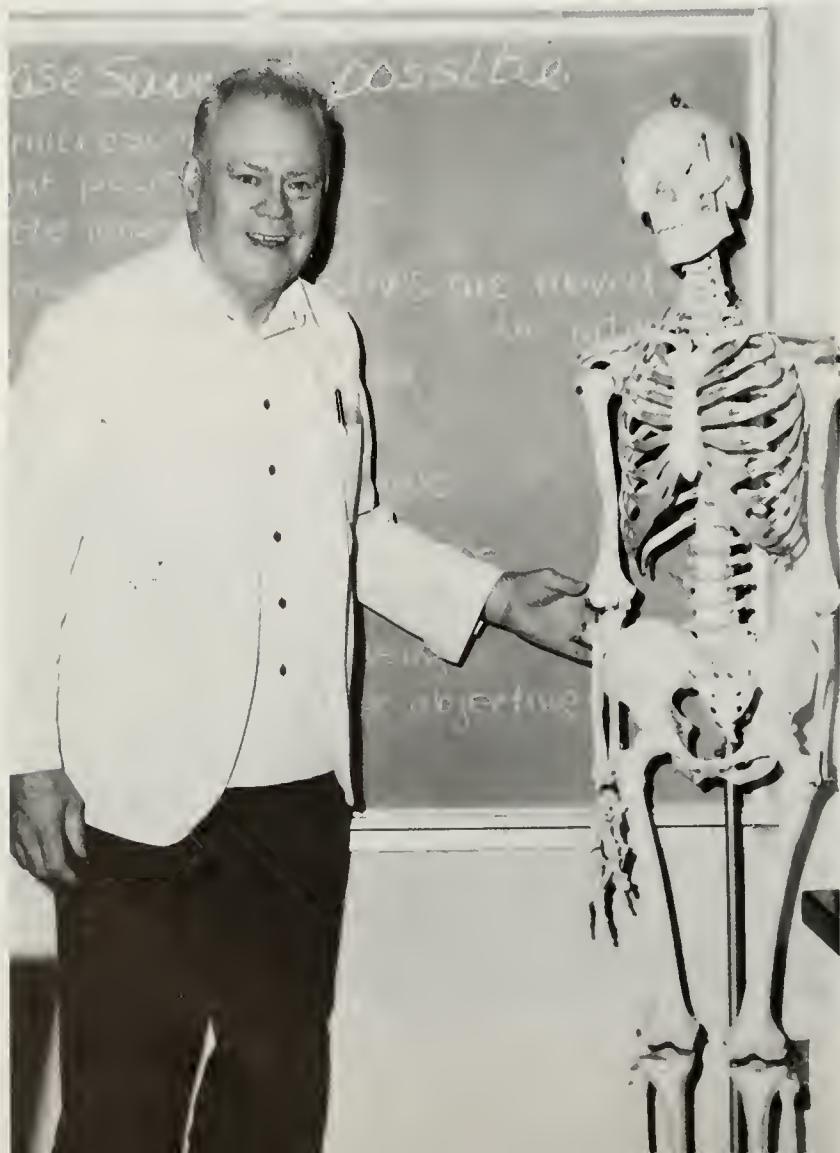
NATURAL SCIENCE

RIGHT: Ray Callings explains a formula to his students.

FAR RIGHT: Dr. Kroon gets a little exercise during a break from his teaching duties.

BELOW LEFT: Posing with his choice specimen, Prof. Ellis prepares to describe the many bones of the body.

BELOW RIGHT: Prof. Bennett enjoys a pepsi between classes.



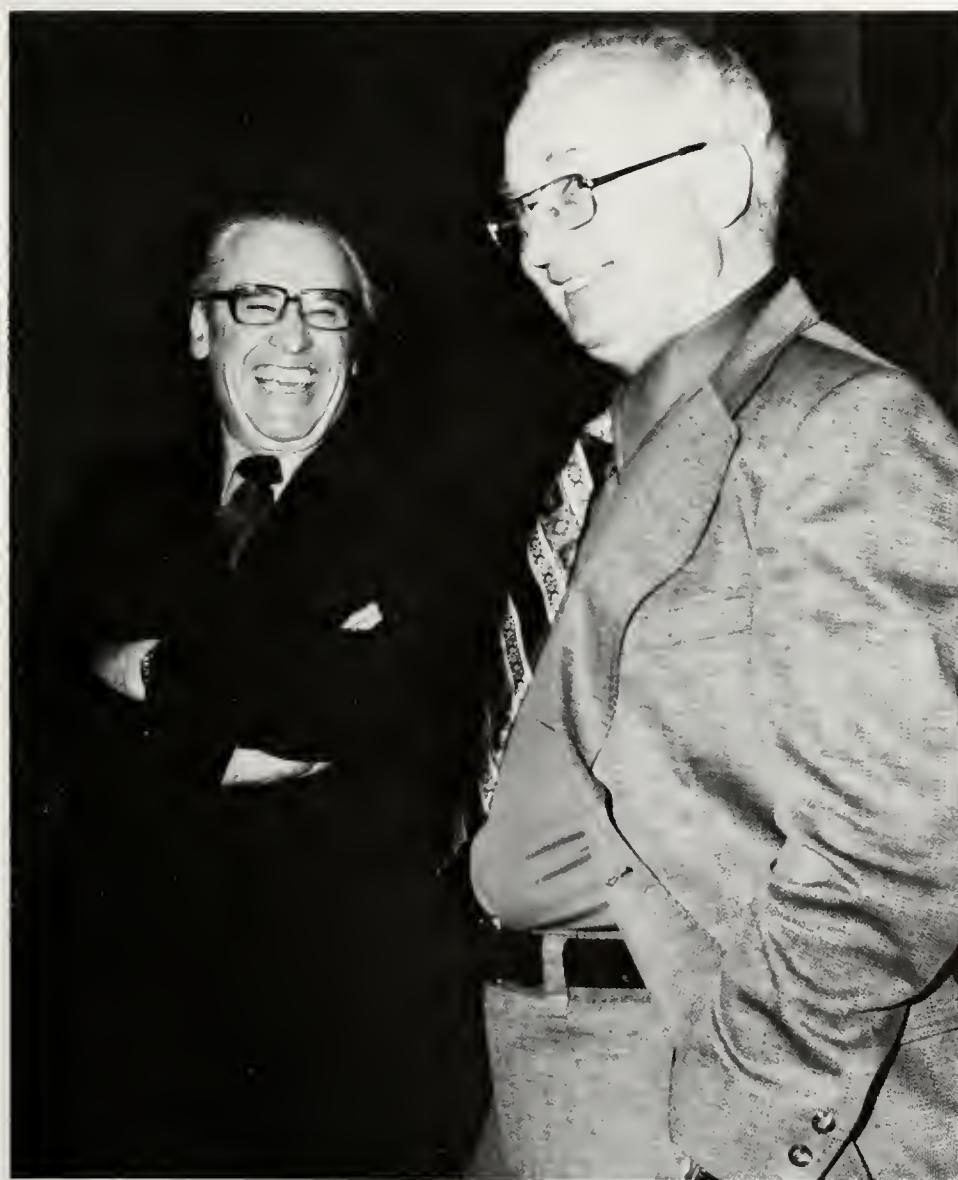


LEFT: "Grandpa" Gerber enjoys the company of his grandson at a Pilot Basketball game.

BELOW LEFT: Prof. Ora Lovel gets a chuckle out of one of Don Taylor's jokes.

BELOW RIGHT: Prof. Burgess freshens up his office with a new coat of paint.

RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY





ABOVE: Secretaries Evelyn Paxson and Gayle Zeigler try to hide, but the photographer catches them peeking!

ABOVE RIGHT: Looking over last year's Helm are Business Office ladies Eleanor Wysong, Mary Wright, and Agnes Grib.

RIGHT: Taking a break on the steps are secretaries Joyce Taylor, Naomi Everett, Miriam Hunter, and Carolyn Cary.





RIGHT: Stopping for a drink are Sharon Snyder, Elaine Rice, and Joyce Stinson, secretaries in the Administration Building.

BELOW: Development Office secretaries Pam Deckard and Barb Rodgers share a laugh with Alumni Relations Director Margaret Wilson.

AND IN THIS CORNER . . .





HARD- WORKING STAFF

RIGHT: Cleaning lady Irene Brazier vacuums the carpet in the Octorium.



ABOVE: The maintenance crew consists of John Snyder, Ken Marks, George Summers, Ralph Wolet, and Herman Quier.

RIGHT: Keeping our stomachs happy are cooks Francis Burgess, Ron Nemes, director, Ruth Johnson, and June Martin.



BELOW: Printer Denise Amstutz has a smile even for her temperamental multilith machine.



ABOVE: Patience reigns as Sue Geer trains another student switchboard operator.

LEFT: Nurse Dot Wysong records her nurse's notes during a lull in business.



SENIORS

Looking eagerly toward graduation, the class of 1977 plunged into a year of fun and finishing. They completed their studies and enjoyed their last year of college life. When it was over, they walked, some confident, some questioning, into the "big, bad world."

Senior Class Officers were Ruth Kroon, Dennis Wertz, Heather Clyde, and Dave Polstan.



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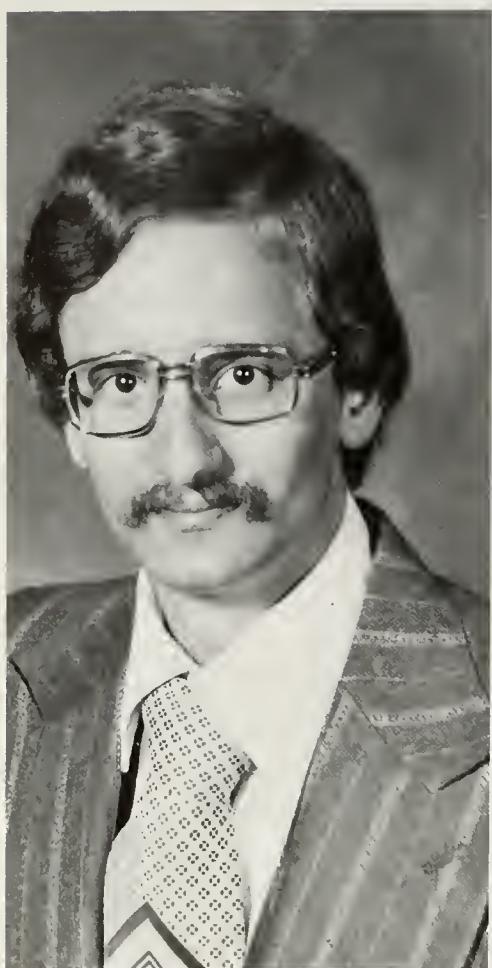
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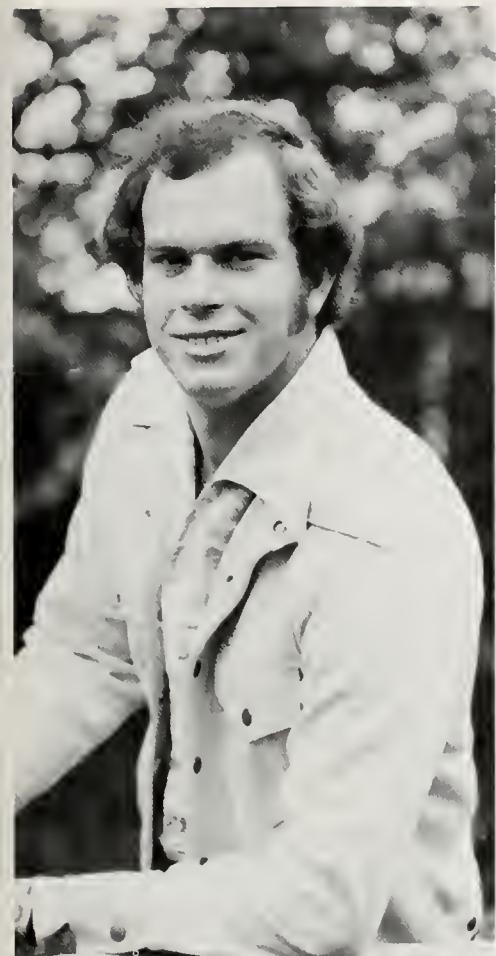


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Starting their last two years of college, the Juniors came back with a positive and unified spirit. They now knew the "ropes" and could probably get through the year with a minimum of study and problems.

They were the most active class this year. They sponsored the concessions at all of the basketball games and MLS. Bowling and Christmas parties entertained them. They sponsored a donkey basketball game and the Junior-Senior Banquet.

Junior class officers were Lori Longshore, Les Klingensmith, Jim Gerber, and Marlene Marks.

JUNIORS



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Jerry Amstutz
John Arnold
Elaine Beery



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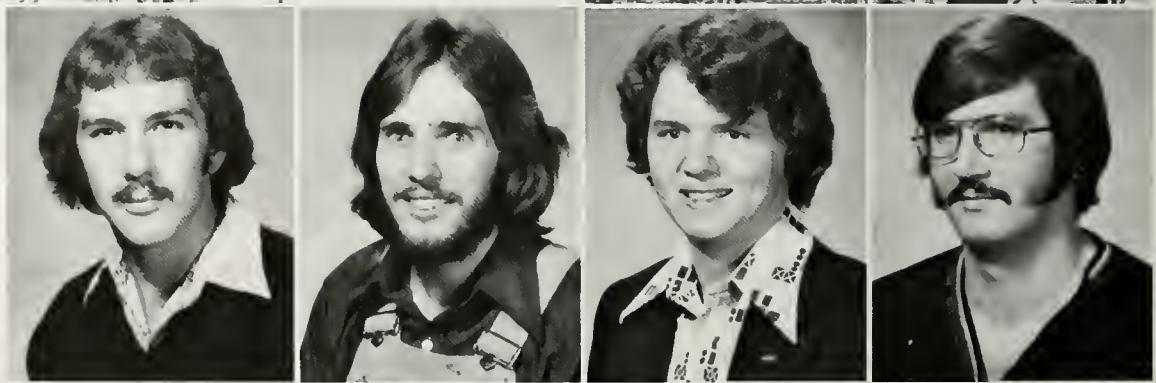
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Karleen Zuercher



Praying for courage, junior candidates Cheri Jones, Michelle Jewell, and Marlene Edisan await their final appearance in the Homecoming pageant.

Returning with one successful year behind them, the Sophomores seemed eager to get into the old routine of studies.

They started the year off right with Freshman Initiation, claiming the right to "do unto others as was done unto them".

Last year's frightened freshmen become the sensational sophomores.

In April, they sponsored the traditional Sophomore Sillies, with activities like Dress in-side-out Day, a variety show, a carnival, and more.

Sophomore class officers Bonnie Hamilton, Jerry Hooley, Joyce Lucy, Kurt Church, Barb Beyler, Brenda Andre, and Dave Brown enjoy the snow.

SOPHOMORES



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Judy Amstutz
Brenda Andre
Sam Armington



Judith Barnard
Barbara Beyler
Steve Brown
Diane Chase



Kurt Church
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Sue Garfield
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Bonnie Hamilton



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Ted Mueller
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**Nancy Parrish
Angel Perez
Phil Pletcher
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Melissa Riffell
Janathan Sabo
Debbie Schumacher**





Randy Hogue and
Ted Mueller prepare for their
Christmas vacation trip to
Ohio.



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MoryEllen Shedron
Dale Shidler
Bonita Smith



Angela Smyser
Ed Sommer
Barb Spurrier
Anna Maria Van Diest



Steve Wooley
Dana Zortman

FRESHMEN

It happened one afternoon, on a warm, late summer day. They started coming, a few at a time, and soon confusion was everywhere.

"Where's Shupe Hall?" "Is this my room?" "Who's Padre?" These questions were heard throughout the campus. The freshmen had arrived!

They were young, enthusiastic, and ready to begin a new adventure. They were the class of 1980.

The officers chosen to represent the Freshman class were Sally Groser, Dennis Hylander, Howard Brennenman, Sharon Philipp, and Jon Boyer.



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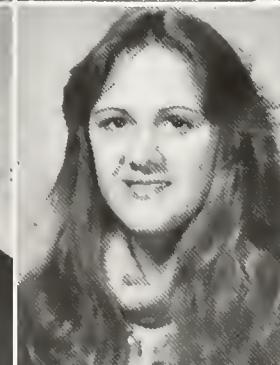


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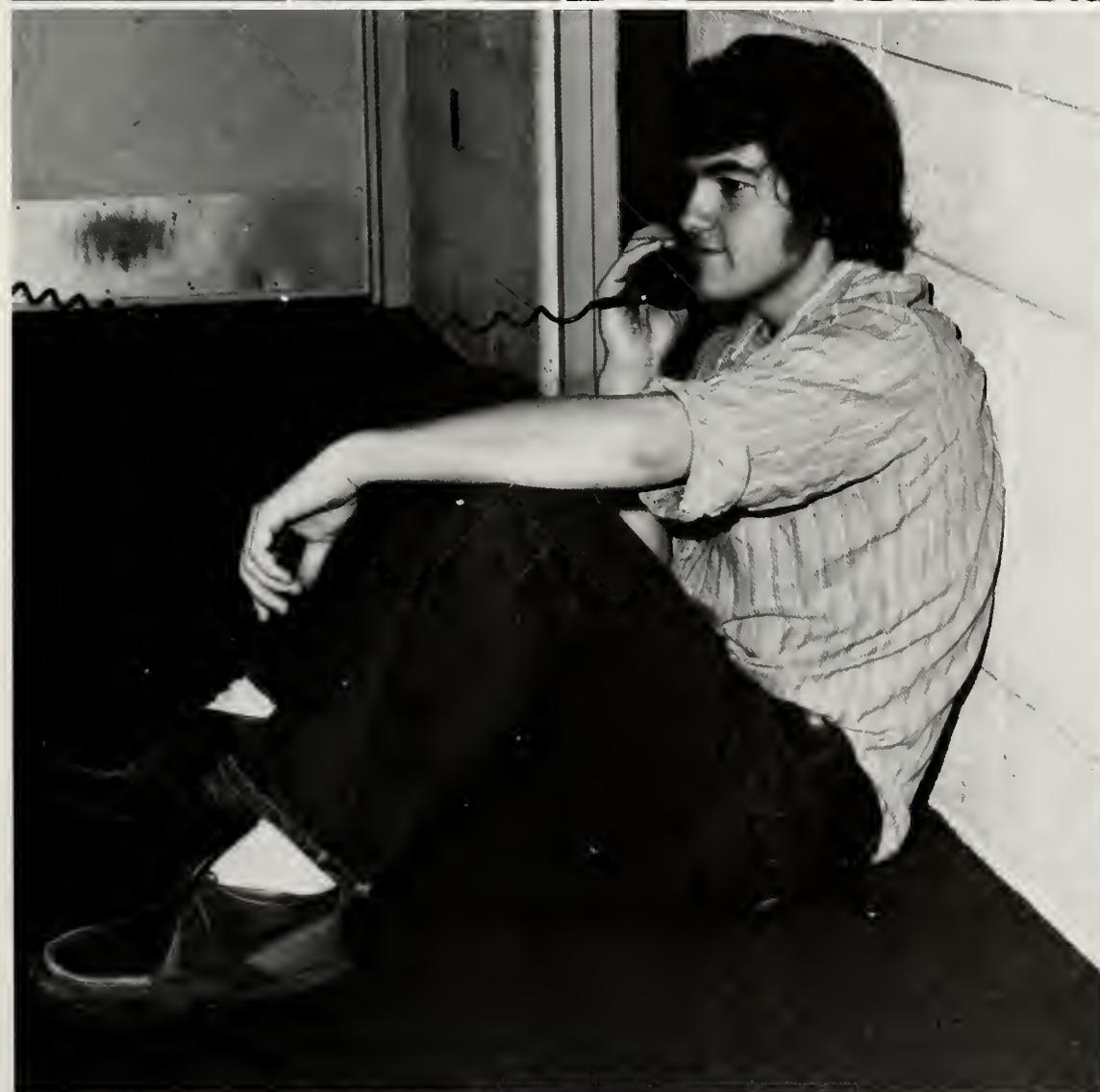




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Mike Maare uses his free time to indulge in a favorite Bethel pastime.

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Incoming freshmen get a taste of Bethel life at orientation.



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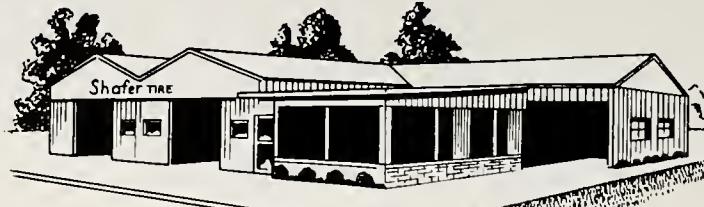
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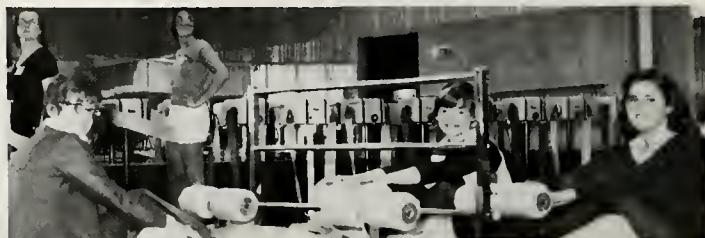
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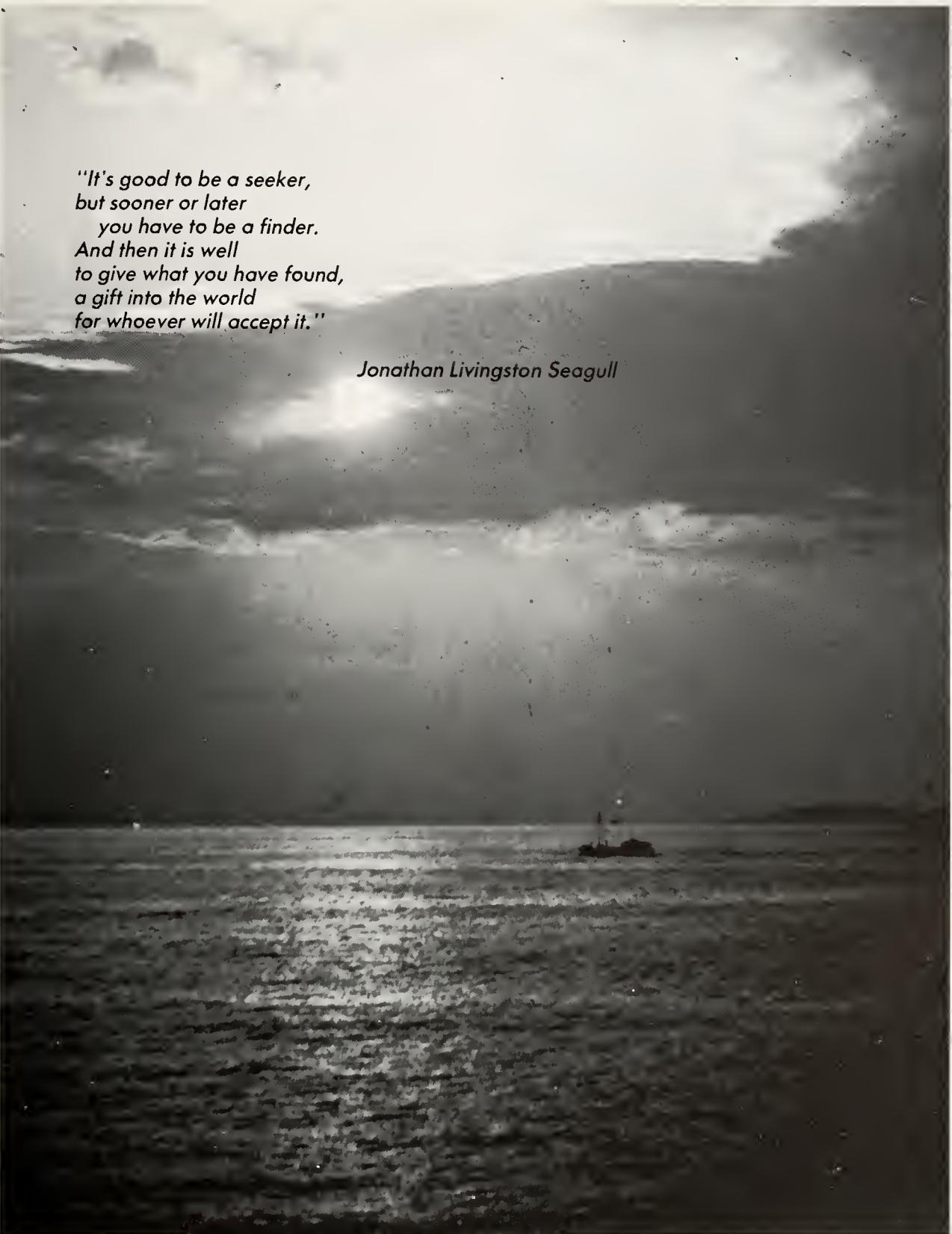
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